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REFERENCE TO THE RE-USE IN STOCKHOLM OF COVER-NAME "PETROV" (1945)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 2646

31 Dec. 45

The following is a cipher telegram of BELYAEV<sup>(6)</sup>[sic][a] (henceforth PETROV) which we are passing on for FILIPPOV[11]:

"According to available information, on 4th January there is being cenve in 35 a congress of 53 54 of all 75 [6 groups unrecovered] -also 4k with [2 groups missing] to us

[19 groups unrecovered]

[G. PETROV]

No. 187

APRAKIN[111]

T.N.: [a] Presumably BELYAEV is intended here.

Comments: [i] The cover-name PETROV was also used by an unidentified MOSCOW signatory in MGB traffic on NEW YORK, MEXICO CITY, SAN FRANCISCO and LONDON lanes during the period 16th November 1943 - 10th April 1946.

[ii] On 3rd July 1945 two consecutive messages, passing on cipher messages for FILIPPOV were passed from APRAXIN in STOCKHOLM to MGB MOSCOW. (S/NBP/09) The cipher system of these messages has not yet been identified.

[iii] APRAXIN: 3rd <sup>and later 2nd</sup> Secretary at the Soviet <sup>Legation</sup> Embassy in STOCKHOLM.

Comments: (i) BELAEV: Presumably Aleksandr B. EL'YAEV, member of the Soviet Legation in London, who is known to have been in STOCKHOLM in November 1945.

(ii) FILIPPOV: Presumably Ivan Pavlovich FILIPPOV who was in STOCKHOLM in November 1945 and in April 1946, and a close contact with the MGB.